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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the document identified on the enclosed PTO-1449 form, a copy of which is enclosed, is disclosed to the Examiner for consideration in connection with the present application.

The document identified on the PTO-1449 form is a Communication Pursuant to Article 96(2) EPC that was issued in connection with the EPO counterpart of the present application. The Communication contains the following statements:

The present application – and thus the subject-matter of claims 1-50 – does not meet the requirements of Article 83 EPC, because the invention is not disclosed in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for it to be carried out by a person skilled in the art.

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This means that the comparison of the second and third hash value always leads to the result, that these two values are not equal. Thus this method can not help to determine the authenticity of the license. From what is taught in the present application documents it is therefore not clear for the person skilled in the art how the alleged invention should be carried out.

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In contrast it seems impossible for the person skilled in the art to follow the authentication steps described in the application documents, since it obviously seems not to work, as argued above.

A check in the amount of \$180 for the submission of this information disclosure statement is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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	"Communication Pursuant to Article 96(2) EPC," dated December 7, 2004 and issued in connection with EPO Appl. No. 02 709 880.5 assigned to IGT, which is the EPO counterpart of the present application, 5 pages.

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